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Mr. Lowell Braxton
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RE: Barneys Canyon Dump Reclamation Standard

Dear Lowell:

Further to your letter of January 6, 1993 concerning the development of a revegetation standard for the Melco waste dumps, I would like to arrange a meeting with DOGM staff in order to discuss this issue further and hopefully reach an agreed conclusion.

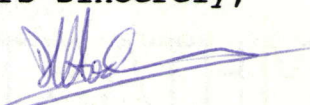
Barneys Canyon staff and consultants have carried out a field survey in an attempt to compare reseeded road outcrops with similar undisturbed slopes. This survey has indicated revegetation quality up to approximately 40% of original cover.

Subsequent discussions with Dr. Morrey of Steffen Robertson and Kirsten have led us to believe that better standards are achievable but to date, we do not have field evidence to support this view. Dr. Morrey has designed field trials to test his ideas at Barneys Canyon and we propose to commence the trials this fall. In the meantime Barneys Canyon Mine staff are redesigning the Melco waste dumps in preparation for a new NOI submission to DOGM which should be ready in August.

It now seems timely for us to meet again to discuss the revegetation issue and in conversation with Wayne Hedberg he has suggested that 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 4 would be a suitable time to meet at your offices.

Please confirm that this time is agreeable to you.

Yours sincerely,


D. I. Hodson
General Manager